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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Jan Mink

Serial No.: 10/694,256

Filing Date: October 27, 2003

Confirmation No.: 2694

For: **HERMETICALLY SEALED PACKAGE
FOR AN ELECTRO-OPTIC DEVICE**

Examiner: Joanne H. Kim

Customer No.: 022913

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

MAIL STOP: AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Response to Election of Species Requirement as set forth in the Office Action mailed August 11, 2004, for entry in the above-identified application.

Enclosed are the following:

- X Response to Election of Species Requirement;
- X Transmittal letter (in duplicate);
- X Certificate Express Mailing # EV533103655US;
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Dated this 31ST day of August, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,



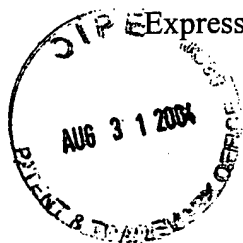
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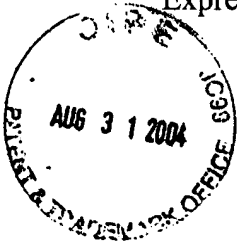
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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In the Office Action mailed August 11, 2004 (the "Office Action"), the Examiner set forth an Election of Species Requirement that identified what the Examiner has characterized as two patentably distinct species of the claimed invention. In particular, the Examiner suggested in the Office Action that the present application contains claims directed to the following two species, namely: